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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6504 NOTE PREPARED: Jan 26, 2012 BILL NUMBER: SB 224 BILL AMENDED: Jan 26, 2012

SUBJECT: Emergency Ambulance Services Report.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Miller BILL STATUS: 2nd Reading - 1st House

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

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<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> (Amended) This bill requires the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH), the Division of Fire and Building Safety (Division), and the Indiana Emergency Medical Services Commission (EMS Commission) to report to the Health Finance Commission before October 1, 2012, concerning specified information on ambulances and emergency medical services. The bill requires the agencies to consult with entities that may be affected by a proposal being considered for the report.

Effective Date: July 1, 2012.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) This bill requires a, written, and oral report from the EMS Commission, the Division of Fire and Building Safety, and the ISDH to be made to the Health Finance Commission. The report is required to cover policies and procedures for calling and responding to 911, equipment guidelines for ambulances, ambulance response times and transportation procedures, procedures for health facilities to obtain emergency and nonemergency medical transportation, how ambulance coverage is affected by ambulances that are subject to geographical or jurisdictional limits, procedures, or policies for determining to which hospital a patient is transported, and a review of the state trauma care system. Reporting on agency policies and procedures should be within the ISDH's, the Division's, and the EMS Commission's available level of resources.

(Revised) *Health Finance Commission:* The Health Finance Commission (HFCO) has 24 legislative members, consisting members of the Senate Health and Provider Services Committee and the House of Representatives Public Health Committee. The HFCO operates under the policies governing study committees adopted by the Legislative Council. Legislative Council resolutions in the past have established budgets for interim study

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committees in the amount of \$16,500 per interim for committees with more than 16 members. The HFCO should be able to add this study to their plan of work within the likely committee budget.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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<u>State Agencies Affected:</u> ISDH; Division of Fire and Building Safety; Indiana Emergency Medical Services Commission.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: ISDH, EMS Commission.

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